Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 03-07-05

Issued at: Fairbanks, Alaska

October 7, 2005

Effective Date: 11:59 PM

October 7, 2005

Expiration Date: June 30, 2006 unless superseded by subsequent

emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the portion of state registration permit hunt RM764 for antlerless moose in Zones 1, 3 and 7 in Game Management Unit 20A. Zone 1: consists of that portion of Unit 20A bounded by a line beginning at the confluence of Tatlanika Creek and the Tanana River (at 64° 35' 11"N, 148° 40' 54"W), then southerly along the east bank of Tatlanika Creek to the Rex Trail, then westerly along the south side of the Rex Trail and Bear Paw Trail to the Nenana River, then northerly along the east bank of the Nenana River to the Tanana River, then easterly along the north bank of the Tanana River to the east bank of Tatlanika Creek; **Zone 3:** consists of that portion of Unit 20A bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of the east bank of the Nenana River and the Bearpaw Trail, then easterly along the south side of the Bearpaw Trail and Rex Trail to the east bank of Tatlanika Creek, then upstream along the east bank of Tatlanika Creek to Sheep Creek, then along the east bank of Sheep Creek to its headwaters, then southerly along the divide separating the Wood River drainage from the Healy Creek and Moody Creek drainages, then westerly along the divide separating the Moody Creek and Montana Creek drainages from the Yanert River drainage to the east bank of the Nenana River, then northerly along the east bank of the Nenana River to its intersection with the Bearpaw (Rex) Trail; **Zone 7:** Yanert Controlled Use Area - consists of that portion of Unit 20A drained by the Nenana River upstream from and including the Yanert Fork drainage. All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 20A are unaffected by this emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 84.045(18)**, **HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are in effect for hunting moose:

Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

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Unit 20(A), that portion bounded by a line beginning at the confluence of Tatlanika Creek and the Tanana River (at 64° 35' 11"N, 148° 40' 54"W), then southerly along the east bank of Tatlanika Creek to the Rex Trail, then westerly along the south side of the Rex Trail and Bear Paw Trail to the Nenana River, then northerly along the east bank of the Nenana River to the Tanana River, then easterly along the north bank of the Tanana River to the east bank of Tatlanika Creek

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side; or

1 antlerless moose by registration permit only; or

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side; or

Unit 20(A), the Ferry Trail Management Area; that portion of the Wood River Controlled Use Area west of the east bank of Tatlanika Creek and Sheep Creek, including the Healy Creek, Montana Creek, and Moody Creek drainages; Healy-Lignite Management Area; and the Yanert Controlled Use Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side; or Sept. 1 - Sept. 25 (General hunt only)

Oct. 5 - Oct. 7

Sept. 1 - Sept. 25

Sept. 1 - Sept. 25 (General hunt only)

Resident **Open Season** (Subsistence and Nonresident **Units and Bag Limits General Hunts**) **Open Season** Oct. 5 - Oct. 7 1 antlerless moose by registration permit only; or 1 bull with spike-fork antler or 50-inch Nov. 1 - Nov. 30 antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side by drawing permit only; by muzzle-loading firearms only; up to 75 permits may be issued NONRESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with Sept. 1 - Sept. 25 4 or more brow tines on one side; or Nov. 1 - Nov. 30 1 bull with spike-fork antler or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side by drawing permit only; by muzzle-loading firearms only; up to 75 permits may be issued Unit 20(A), the Wood River Controlled Use Area east of the east bank of Tatlanika Creek and Sheep Creek **RESIDENT HUNTERS:** 1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch Sept. 1 - Sept. 25 antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow (General hunt only) tines on one side; or 1 antlerless moose by registration permit Sept. 1 - Dec. 10 only; or 1 bull with spike-fork antler or 50-inch Nov. 1 - Nov. 30 antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side by drawing permit only; by muzzle-loading firearms only; up to 75 permits may be issued

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side; or		Sept. 1 - Sept. 25
1 bull with spike-fork antler or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side by drawing permit only; by muzzle-loading firearms only; up to 75 permits may be issued		Nov. 1 - Nov. 30
Unit 20A, that portion bounded on the west by the west bank of Delta Creek, bounded on the north by the north bank of the Tanana River, bounded on the east by the west bank of the Delta River, bounded on the south by the Alaska Range divide		
RESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side; or	Sept. 1 - Sept. 25 (General hunt only)	
1 antlerless moose by registration permit only;	Sept. 1 - Sept. 9 (General hunt only)	
NONRESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side		Sept. 1 - Sept. 25
Remainder of Unit 20(A)		
RESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side; or	Sept. 1 - Sept. 25 (General hunt only)	
1 antlerless moose by registration permit only;	Sept. 1 - Dec. 10 (General hunt only)	
NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:		

Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side

Sept. 1 - Sept. 25

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All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 20A remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

McKie Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to:

Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

In 2004, the Board of Game authorized an antlerless moose hunt in Unit 20A to run from September 1 through December 10, unless closed by Emergency Order. The Department set a quota of 800 antlerless moose for the 2005 season. To optimize the distribution of the harvest, the department divided Unit 20A into 7 hunt zones and established individual quotas for each zone based on estimated moose abundance. The reported harvest of antlerless moose in Zones 1, 3 and 7 in Game Management Unit 20A is expected to reach or exceed the desired combined harvest level of 105 by midnight on October 7, 2005.

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